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MAMMALIAN EXPRESSION SYSTEMS FOR HCV PROTEINS

Background of the Invention

This invention relates generally to Hepatitis C Virus (HCV), and more particularly, relates to mammalian expression systems capable of generating HCV proteins and uses of these proteins.

Descriptions of Hepatitis diseases causing jaundice and icterus have been known to man since antiquity. Viral hepatitis is now known to include a group of viral agents with distinctive viral organization protein structure and mode of replication, causing hepatitis with different degrees of severity of hepatic damage through different routes of transmission. Acute viral hepatitis is clinically diagnosed by well-defined patient symptoms including jaundice, hepatic tenderness and an elevated level of liver transaminases such as Aspartate Transaminase and Alanine Transaminase.

Serological assays currently are employed to further distinguish between Hepatitis-A and Hepatitis-B. Non-A Non-B Hepatitis (NANBH) is a term first used in 1975 that described cases of post-transfusion hepatitis not caused by either Hepatitis A Virus or Hepatitis B Virus. Feinstone et al., New Engl. J. Med. 292:454-457 (1975). The diagnosis of NANBH has been made primarily by means of exclusion on the basis of serological analysis for the presence of Hepatitis A and Hepatitis B. NANBH is responsible for about 90% of the cases of post-transfusion hepatitis. Hollinger et al. in N. R. Rose et al., eds., Manual of Clinical Immunology, American Society for Microbiology, Washington, D. C., 558-572 (1986).

Attempts to identify the NANBH virus by virtue of genomic similarity to one of the known hepatitis viruses have failed thus far, suggesting that NANBH has a distinctive genomic organization and structure. Fowler et al., J. Med. Virol. 12:205-213 (1983), and Weiner et al., J. Med. Virol. 21:239-247 (1987). Progress in developing assays to detect antibodies specific for NANBH has been hampered by difficulties encountered in identifying antigens associated with the virus. Wards et al., U. S. Patent No. 4,870,076; Wards et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. 83:6608-6612 (1986); Otori et al., J. Med. Virol. 12:161-178 (1983); Bradley et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. 84:6277-6281 (1987); Akatsuka et al., J. Med. Virol. 20:43-56 (1986).

In May of 1988, a collaborative effort of Chiron Corporation with the Centers for Disease Control resulted in the identification of a putative NANB agent, Hepatitis C Virus (HCV). M. Houghton et al. cloned and expressed in E. coli a NANB

agent obtained from the infectious plasma of a chimp. Cuo et al., Science 244:359-361 (1989); Choo et al., Science 244:362-364 (1989). CDNA sequences from HCV were identified which encode antigens that react immunologically with antibodies present in a majority of the patients clinically diagnosed with NANBH.

- 5 Based on the information available and on the molecular structure of HCV, the genetic makeup of the virus consists of single stranded linear RNA (positive strand) of molecular weight approximately 9.5 kb, and possessing one continuous translational open reading frame. J. A. Cuthbert, Amer. J. Med. Sci. 299:346-355 (1990). It is a small enveloped virus resembling the Flaviviruses. Investigators
- 10 have made attempts to identify the NANB agent by ultrastructural changes in hepatocytes in infected individuals. H. Gupta, Liver 8:111-115 (1988); D.W. Bradley J. Virol. Methods 10:307-319 (1985). Similar ultrastructural changes in hepatocytes as well as PCR amplified HCV RNA sequences have been detected in
- 15 NANBH patients as well as in chimps experimentally infected with infectious HCV plasma. T. Shimizu et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. 87:6441-6444 (1990).

- Considerable serological evidence has been found to implicate HCV as the etiological agent for post-transfusion NANBH. H. Alter et al., N. Eng. J. Med. 321:1494-1500 (1989); Establen et al., The Lancet Aug. 5:294-296 (1989); C. Van Der Poel et al., The Lancet Aug. 5:297-298 (1989); G. Sbolli, J. Med. Virol.
- 20 30:230-232 (1990); M. Makris et al., The Lancet 335:1117-1119 (1990). Although the detection of HCV antibodies eliminates 70 to 80% of NANBH infected blood from the blood supply system, the antibodies apparently are readily detected during the chronic state of the disease, while only 60% of the samples from the acute NANBH stage are HCV antibody positive. H. Alter et al., New Eng. J. Med.
- 25 321:1494-1500 (1989). The prolonged interval between exposure to HCV and antibody detection, and the lack of adequate information regarding the profile of immune response to various structural and non-structural proteins raises questions regarding the infectious state of the patient in the latent and antibody negative phase during NANBH infection.

- 30 Since discovery of the putative HCV etiological agent as discussed supra, investigators have attempted to express the putative HCV proteins in human expression systems and also to isolate the virus. To date, no report has been published in which HCV has been expressed efficiently in mammalian expression systems, and the virus has not been propagated in tissue culture systems.

- 35 Therefore, there is a need for the development of assay reagents and assay systems to identify acute infection and viremia which may be present, and not currently detected by commercially-available assays. These tools are needed to

help distinguish between acute and persistent, on-going and/or chronic infection from those likely to be resolved, and to define the prognostic course of NANBH infection, in order to develop preventive and/or therapeutic strategies. Also, the expression systems that allow for secretion of these glycosylated antigens would be helpful to purify and manufacture diagnostic and therapeutic reagents.

Summary Of The Invention

This invention provides novel mammalian expression systems that are capable of generating high levels of expressed proteins of HCV. In particular, full-length structural fragments of HCV are expressed as a fusion with the Amyloid Precursor Protein (APP) or Human Growth Hormone (HGH) secretion signal. These unique expression systems allow for the production of high levels of HCV proteins, contributing to the proper processing, glycosylation and folding of the viral protein(s) in the system. In particular, the present invention provides the plasmids pHCV-162, pHCV-167, pHCV-168, pHCV-169 and pHCV-170. The APP-HCV-E2 fusion proteins expressed by mammalian expression vectors pHCV-162 and pHCV-167 also are included. Further, HGH-HCV-E2 fusion proteins expressed by a mammalian expression vectors pHCV-168, pHCV-169 and pHCV-170 are provided.

The present invention also provides a method for detecting HCV antigen or antibody in a test sample suspected of containing HCV antigen or antibody, wherein the improvement comprises contacting the test sample with a glycosylated HCV antigen produced in a mammalian expression system. Also provided is a method for detecting HCV antigen or antibody in a test sample suspected of containing HCV antigen or antibody, wherein the improvement comprises contacting the test sample with an antibody produced by using a glycosylated HCV antigen produced in a mammalian expression system. The antibody can be monoclonal or polyclonal.

The present invention further provides a test kit for detecting the presence of HCV antigen or HCV antibody in a test sample suspected of containing said HCV antigen or antibody, comprising a container containing a glycosylated HCV antigen produced in a mammalian expression system. The test kit also can include an antibody produced by using a glycosylated HCV antigen produced in a mammalian expression system. Another test kit provided by the present invention comprises a container containing an antibody produced by using a glycosylated HCV antigen produced in a mammalian expression system. The antibody provided by the test kits can be monoclonal or polyclonal.

Brief Description of the Drawings

Figure 1 presents a schematic representation of the strategy employed to generate and assemble HCV genomic clones.

Figure 2 presents a schematic representation of the location and amino acid composition of the APP-HCV-E2 fusion proteins expressed by the mammalian expression vectors pHCV-162 and pHCV-167.

Figure 3 presents a schematic representation of the mammalian expression vector pRC/CMV.

Figure 4 presents the RIPA results obtained for the APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-162 in HEK-293 cells using HCV antibody positive human sera.

Figure 5 presents the RIPA results obtained for the APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-162 in HEK-293 cells using rabbit polyclonal sera directed against synthetic peptides.

Figure 6 presents the RIPA results obtained for the APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-167 in HEK-293 cells using HCV antibody positive human sera.

Figure 7 presents the Endoglycosidase-H digestion of the immunoprecipitated APP-HCV-E2 fusion proteins expressed by pHCV-162 and pHCV-167 in HEK-293 cells.

Figure 8 presents the RIPA results obtained when American HCV antibody positive sera were screened against the APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-162 in HEK-293 cells.

Figure 9 presents the RIPA results obtained when the sera from Japanese volunteer blood donors were screened against the APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-162 in HEK-293 cells.

Figure 10 presents the RIPA results obtained when the sera from Japanese volunteer blood donors were screened against the APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-162 in HEK-293 cells.

Figure 11 presents a schematic representation of the mammalian expression vector pCDNA-I.

Figure 12 presents a schematic representation of the location and amino acid composition of the HGH-HCV-E1 fusion protein expressed by the mammalian expression vector pHCV-168.

Figure 13 presents a schematic representation of the location and amino acid composition of the HGH-HCV-E2 fusion proteins expressed by the mammalian expression vectors pHCV-169 and pHCV-170.

Figure 14 presents the RIPA results obtained when HCV E2 antibody positive sera were screened against the HGH-HCV-E1 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-168 in HEK-293 cells.

Figure 15 presents the RIPA results obtained when HCV E2 antibody positive sera were screened against the HGH-HCV-E2 fusion proteins expressed by pHCV-169 and pHCV-170 in HEK-293 cells.

Detailed Description of the Invention

The present invention provides full-length genomic clones useful in a variety of aspects. Such full-length genomic clones can allow culture of the HCV virus which in turn is useful for a variety of purposes. Successful culture of the HCV virus can allow for the development of viral replication inhibitors, viral proteins for diagnostic applications, viral proteins for therapeutics, and specifically structural viral antigens, including, for example, HCV putative envelope, HCV putative E1 and HCV putative E2 fragments.

Cell lines which can be used for viral replication are numerous, and include (but are not limited to), for example, primary hepatocytes, permanent or semi-permanent hepatocytes, cultures transfected with transforming viruses or transforming genes. Especially useful cell lines could include, for example, permanent hepatocyte cultures that continuously express any of several heterologous RNA polymerase genes to amplify HCV RNA sequences under the control of these specific RNA polymerase sequences.

Sources of HCV viral sequences encoding structural antigens include putative core, putative E1 and putative E2 fragments. Expression can be performed in both prokaryotic and eukaryotic systems. The expression of HCV proteins in mammalian expression systems allows for glycosylated proteins such as the E1 and E2 proteins, to be produced. These glycosylated proteins have diagnostic utility in a variety of aspects, including, for example, assay systems for screening and prognostic applications. The mammalian expression of HCV viral proteins allows for inhibitor studies including elucidation of specific viral attachment sites or sequences and/or viral receptors on susceptible cell types, for example, liver cells and the like.

The procurement of specific expression clones developed as described herein in mammalian expression systems provides antigens for diagnostic assays which can determine the stage of HCV infection, such as, for example, acute versus on-going or persistent infections, and/or recent infection versus past exposure. These specific expression clones also provide prognostic markers for resolution of disease such as to distinguish resolution of disease from chronic hepatitis caused by HCV. It is

contemplated that earlier s roconversion to glycosylated structural antigens possibly may be detected by using proteins produced in these mammalian expression systems. Antibodies, both monoclonal and polyclonal, also may be produced from the proteins derived from these mammalian expression systems which then in turn may
5 be used for diagnostic, prognostic and therapeutic applications. Also, reagents produced from these novel expression systems described herein may be useful in the characterization and or isolation of other infectious agents.

Proteins produced from these mammalian expression systems, as well as reagents produced from these proteins, can be placed into appropriate container and
10 packaged as test kits for convenience in performing assays. Other aspects of the present invention include a polypeptide comprising an HCV epitope attached to a solid phase and an antibody to an HCV epitope attached to a solid phase. Also included are methods for producing a polypeptide containing an HCV epitope comprising incubating host cells transformed with a mammalian expression vector containing a
15 sequence encoding a polypeptide containing an HCV epitope under conditions which allow expression of the polypeptide, and a polypeptide containing an HCV epitope produced by this method.

The present invention provides assays which utilize the recombinant or synthetic polypeptides provided by the invention, as well as the antibodies described
20 herein in various formats, any of which may employ a signal generating compound in the assay. Assays which do not utilize signal generating compounds to provide a means of detection also are provided. All of the assays described generally detect either antigen or antibody, or both, and include contacting a test sample with at least one reagent provided herein to form at least one antigen/antibody complex and
25 detecting the presence of the complex. These assays are described in detail herein.

Vaccines for treatment of HCV infection comprising an immunogenic peptide obtained from a mammalian expression system containing an HCV epitope, or an inactivated preparation of HCV, or an attenuated preparation of HCV also are included in the present invention. Also included in the present invention is a method
30 for producing antibodies to HCV comprising administering to an individual an isolated immunogenic polypeptide containing an HCV epitope in an amount sufficient to produce an immune response in the inoculated individual.

Also provided by the present invention is a tissue culture grown cell infected with HCV.

35 The term "antibody containing body component"(or test sample) refers to a component of an individual's body which is the source of the antibodies of interest. These components are well known in the art. These samples include biological

samples which can be tested by the methods of the present invention described herein and include human and animal body fluids such as whole blood, serum, plasma, cerebrospinal fluid, urine, lymph fluids, and various external sections of the respiratory, intestinal and genitourinary tracts, tears, saliva, milk, white blood cells, myelomas and the like, biological fluids such as cell culture supernatants, fixed tissue specimens and fixed cell specimens.

After preparing recombinant proteins, as described by the present invention, the recombinant proteins can be used to develop unique assays as described herein to detect either the presence of antigen or antibody to HCV. These compositions also can be used to develop monoclonal and/or polyclonal antibodies with a specific recombinant protein which specifically binds to the immunological epitope of HCV which is desired by the routineer. Also, it is contemplated that at least one recombinant protein of the invention can be used to develop vaccines by following methods known in the art.

It is contemplated that the reagent employed for the assay can be provided in the form of a kit with one or more containers such as vials or bottles, with each container containing a separate reagent such as a monoclonal antibody, or a cocktail of monoclonal antibodies, or a polypeptide (either recombinant or synthetic) employed in the assay.

"Solid phases" ("solid supports") are known to those in the art and include the walls of wells of a reaction tray, test tubes, polystyrene beads, magnetic beads, nitrocellulose strips, membranes, microparticles such as latex particles, and others. The "solid phase" is not critical and can be selected by one skilled in the art. Thus, latex particles, microparticles, magnetic or non-magnetic beads, membranes, plastic tubes, walls of microtiter wells, glass or silicon chips and sheep red blood cells are all suitable examples. Suitable methods for immobilizing peptides on solid phases include ionic, hydrophobic, covalent interactions and the like. A "solid phase", as used herein, refers to any material which is insoluble, or can be made insoluble by a subsequent reaction. The solid phase can be chosen for its intrinsic ability to attract and immobilize the capture reagent. Alternatively, the solid phase can retain an additional receptor which has the ability to attract and immobilize the capture reagent. The additional receptor can include a charged substance that is oppositely charged with respect to the capture reagent itself or to a charged substance conjugated to the capture reagent. As yet another alternative, the receptor molecule can be any specific binding molecule which is immobilized upon (attached to) the solid phase and which has the ability to immobilize the capture reagent through a specific binding reaction. The receptor molecule enables

the indirect binding of the capture reagent to a solid phase material before the performance of the assay or during the performance of the assay. The solid phase thus can be a plastic, derivatized plastic, magnetic or non-magnetic metal, glass or silicon surface of a test tube, microtiter well, sheet, bead, microparticle, chip, and other configurations known to those of ordinary skill in the art.

It is contemplated and within the scope of the invention that the solid phase also can comprise any suitable porous material with sufficient porosity to allow access by detection antibodies and a suitable surface affinity to bind antigens. Microporous structures are generally preferred, but materials with gel structure in the hydrated state may be used as well. Such useful solid supports include:

natural polymeric carbohydrates and their synthetically modified, cross-linked or substituted derivatives, such as agar, agarose, cross-linked alginic acid, substituted and cross-linked guar gums, cellulose esters, especially with nitric acid and carboxylic acids, mixed cellulose esters, and cellulose ethers; natural polymers containing nitrogen, such as proteins and derivatives, including cross-linked or modified gelatins; natural hydrocarbon polymers, such as latex and rubber; synthetic polymers which may be prepared with suitably porous structures, such as vinyl polymers, including polyethylene, polypropylene, polystyrene, polyvinylchloride, polyvinylacetate and its partially hydrolyzed derivatives, polyacrylamides, polymethacrylates, copolymers and terpolymers of the above polycondensates, such as polyesters, polyamides, and other polymers, such as polyurethanes or polyepoxides; porous inorganic materials such as sulfates or carbonates of alkaline earth metals and magnesium, including barium sulfate, calcium sulfate, calcium carbonate, silicates of alkali and alkaline earth metals, aluminum and magnesium; and aluminum or silicon oxides or hydrates, such as clays, alumina, talc, kaolin, zeolite, silica gel, or glass (these materials may be used as filters with the above polymeric materials); and mixtures or copolymers of the above classes, such as graft copolymers obtained by initializing polymerization of synthetic polymers on a pre-existing natural polymer. All of these materials may be used in suitable shapes, such as films, sheets, or plates, or they may be coated onto or bonded or laminated to appropriate inert carriers, such as paper, glass, plastic films, or fabrics.

The porous structure of nitrocellulose has excellent absorption and adsorption qualities for a wide variety of reagents including monoclonal antibodies. Nylon also possesses similar characteristics and also is suitable. It is contemplated that such porous solid supports described hereinabove are preferably in the form of sheets of thickness from about 0.01 to 0.5 mm, preferably about 0.1 mm. The pore

size may vary within wide limits, and is preferably from about 0.025 to 15 microns, especially from about 0.15 to 15 microns. The surfaces of such supports may be activated by chemical processes which cause covalent linkage of the antigen or antibody to the support. The irreversible binding of the antigen or antibody is
5 obtained, however, in general, by adsorption on the porous material by poorly understood hydrophobic forces. Suitable solid supports also are described in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 227,272.

The "indicator reagent" comprises a "signal generating compound" (label) which is capable of generating a measurable signal detectable by external means
10 conjugated (attached) to a specific binding member for HCV. "Specific binding member" as used herein means a member of a specific binding pair. That is, two different molecules where one of the molecules through chemical or physical means specifically binds to the second molecule. In addition to being an antibody member of a specific binding pair for HCV, the indicator reagent also can be a member of any
15 specific binding pair, including either hapten-anti-hapten systems such as biotin or anti-biotin, avidin or biotin, a carbohydrate or a lectin, a complementary nucleotide sequence, an effector or a receptor molecule, an enzyme cofactor and an enzyme, an enzyme inhibitor or an enzyme, and the like. An immunoreactive specific binding member can be an antibody, an antigen, or an antibody/antigen
20 complex that is capable of binding either to HCV as in a sandwich assay, to the capture reagent as in a competitive assay, or to the ancillary specific binding member as in an indirect assay.

The various "signal generating compounds" (labels) contemplated include chromogens, catalysts such as enzymes, luminescent compounds such as fluorescein
25 and rhodamine, chemiluminescent compounds, radioactive elements, and direct visual labels. Examples of enzymes include alkaline phosphatase, horseradish peroxidase, beta-galactosidase, and the like. The selection of a particular label is not critical, but it will be capable of producing a signal either by itself or in conjunction with one or more additional substances.

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35 labels. Examples of enzymes include alkaline phosphatase, horseradish peroxidase, beta-galactosidase, and the like. The selection of a particular label is not critical, but it will be capable of producing a signal either by itself or in conjunction with one or more additional substances.

Other embodiments which utilize various other solid phases also are contemplated and are within the scope of this invention. For example, ion capture procedures for immobilizing an immobilizable reaction complex with a negatively charged polymer, described in co-pending U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 150,278 corresponding to EP publication 0326100, and U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 375,029 (EP publication no. 0406473) both of which enjoy common ownership and are incorporated herein by reference, can be employed according to the present invention to effect a fast solution-phase immunochemical reaction. An immobilizable immune complex is separated from the rest of the reaction mixture by ionic interactions between the negatively charged poly-anion/immune complex and the previously treated, positively charged porous matrix and detected by using various signal generating systems previously described, including those described in chemiluminescent signal measurements as described in co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 921,979 corresponding to EPO Publication No. 0 273,115, which enjoys common ownership and which is incorporated herein by reference.

Also, the methods of the present invention can be adapted for use in systems which utilize microparticle technology including in automated and semi-automated systems wherein the solid phase comprises a microparticle. Such systems include those described in pending U. S. Patent Applications 425,651 and 425,643, which correspond to published EPO applications Nos. EP 0 425 633 and EP 0 424 634, respectively, which are incorporated herein by reference.

The use of scanning probe microscopy (SPM) for immunoassays also is a technology to which the monoclonal antibodies of the present invention are easily adaptable. In scanning probe microscopy, in particular in atomic force microscopy, the capture phase, for example, at least one of the monoclonal antibodies of the invention, is adhered to a solid phase and a scanning probe microscope is utilized to detect antigen/antibody complexes which may be present on the surface of the solid phase. The use of scanning tunnelling microscopy eliminates the need for labels which normally must be utilized in many immunoassay systems to detect antigen/antibody complexes. Such a system is described in pending U. S. patent application Serial No. 662,147, which enjoys common ownership and is incorporated herein by reference.

The use of SPM to monitor specific binding reactions can occur in many ways. In one embodiment, one member of a specific binding partner (analyte specific substance which is the monoclonal antibody of the invention) is attached to a surface suitable for scanning. The attachment of the analyte specific substance may be by adsorption to a test piece which comprises a solid phase of a plastic or

metal surface, following methods known to those of ordinary skill in the art. Or, covalent attachment of a specific binding partner (analyte specific substance) to a test piece which test piece comprises a solid phase of derivatized plastic, metal, silicon, or glass may be utilized. Covalent attachment methods are known to those skilled in the art and include a variety of means to irreversibly link specific binding partners to the test piece. If the test piece is silicon or glass, the surface must be activated prior to attaching the specific binding partner. Activated silane compounds such as triethoxy amino propyl silane (available from Sigma Chemical Co., St. Louis, MO), triethoxy vinyl silane (Aldrich Chemical Co., Milwaukee, WI), and (3-mercaptopropyl)-trimethoxy silane (Sigma Chemical Co., St. Louis, MO) can be used to introduce reactive groups such as amino-, vinyl, and thiol, respectively. Such activated surfaces can be used to link the binding partner directly (in the cases of amino or thiol) or the activated surface can be further reacted with linkers such as glutaraldehyde, bis (succinimidyl) suberate, SPPD 9 succinimidyl 3-[2-pyridyldithio] propionate), SMCC (succinimidyl-4-[N-maleimidomethyl] cyclohexane-1-carboxylate), SIAB (succinimidyl [4-iodoacetyl] aminobenzoate), and SMPB (succinimidyl 4-[1-maleimidophenyl] butyrate) to separate the binding partner from the surface. The vinyl group can be oxidized to provide a means for covalent attachment. It also can be used as an anchor for the polymerization of various polymers such as poly acrylic acid, which can provide multiple attachment points for specific binding partners. The amino surface can be reacted with oxidized dextrans of various molecular weights to provide hydrophilic linkers of different size and capacity. Examples of oxidizable dextrans include Dextran T-40 (molecular weight 40,000 daltons), Dextran T-110 (molecular weight 110,000 daltons), Dextran T-500 (molecular weight 500,000 daltons), Dextran T-2M (molecular weight 2,000,000 daltons) (all of which are available from Pharmacia, LOCATION), or Ficoll (molecular weight 70,000 daltons (available from Sigma Chemical Co., St. Louis, MO). Also, polyelectrolyte interactions may be used to immobilize a specific binding partner on a surface of a test piece by using techniques and chemistries described by pending U. S. Patent applications Serial No. 150,278, filed January 29, 1988, and Serial No. 375,029, filed July 7, 1989, each of which enjoys common ownership and each of which is incorporated herein by reference. The preferred method of attachment is by covalent means. Following attachment of a specific binding member, the surface may be further treated with materials such as serum, proteins, or other blocking agents to minimize non-specific binding. The surface also may be scanned either at the site of manufacture or point of use to verify its suitability for assay

purposes. The scanning process is not anticipated to alter the specific binding properties of the test piece.

Various other assay formats may be used, including "sandwich" immunoassays and competitive probe assays. For example, the monoclonal antibodies produced from the proteins of the present invention can be employed in various assay systems to determine the presence, if any, of HCV proteins in a test sample. Fragments of these monoclonal antibodies provided also may be used. For example, in a first assay format, a polyclonal or monoclonal anti-HCV antibody or fragment thereof, or a combination of these antibodies, which has been coated on a solid phase, is contacted with a test sample which may contain HCV proteins, to form a mixture. This mixture is incubated for a time and under conditions sufficient to form antigen/antibody complexes. Then, an indicator reagent comprising a monoclonal or a polyclonal antibody or a fragment thereof, which specifically binds to the HCV fragment, or a combination of these antibodies, to which a signal generating compound has been attached, is contacted with the antigen/antibody complexes to form a second mixture. This second mixture then is incubated for a time and under conditions sufficient to form antibody/antigen/antibody complexes. The presence of HCV antigen present in the test sample and captured on the solid phase, if any, is determined by detecting the measurable signal generated by the signal generating compound. The amount of HCV antigen present in the test sample is proportional to the signal generated.

Alternatively, a polyclonal or monoclonal anti-HCV antibody or fragment thereof, or a combination of these antibodies which is bound to a solid support, the test sample and an indicator reagent comprising a monoclonal or polyclonal antibody or fragments thereof, which specifically binds to HCV antigen, or a combination of these antibodies to which a signal generating compound is attached, are contacted to form a mixture. This mixture is incubated for a time and under conditions sufficient to form antibody/antigen/antibody complexes. The presence, if any, of HCV proteins present in the test sample and captured on the solid phase is determined by detecting the measurable signal generated by the signal generating compound. The amount of HCV proteins present in the test sample is proportional to the signal generated.

In another alternate assay format, one or a combination of one or more monoclonal antibodies of the invention can be employed as a competitive probe for the detection of antibodies to HCV protein. For example, HCV proteins, either alone or in combination, can be coated on a solid phase. A test sample suspected of containing antibody to HCV antigen then is incubated with an indicator reagent

comprising a signal generating compound and at least one monoclonal antibody of the invention for a time and under conditions sufficient to form antigen/antibody complexes of either the test sample and indicator reagent to the solid phase or the indicator reagent to the solid phase. The reduction in binding of the monoclonal antibody to the solid phase can be quantitatively measured. A measurable reduction in the signal compared to the signal generated from a confirmed negative NANB hepatitis test sample indicates the presence of anti-HCV antibody in the test sample.

In yet another detection method, each of the monoclonal antibodies of the present invention can be employed in the detection of HCV antigens in fixed tissue sections, as well as fixed cells by immunohistochemical analysis.

In addition, these monoclonal antibodies can be bound to matrices similar to CNBr-activated Sepharose and used for the affinity purification of specific HCV proteins from cell cultures, or biological tissues such as blood and liver.

The monoclonal antibodies of the invention can also be used for the generation of chimeric antibodies for therapeutic use, or other similar applications.

The monoclonal antibodies or fragments thereof can be provided individually to detect HCV antigens. Combinations of the monoclonal antibodies (and fragments thereof) provided herein also may be used together as components in a mixture or "cocktail" of at least one anti-HCV antibody of the invention with antibodies to other HCV regions, each having different binding specificities. Thus, this cocktail can include the monoclonal antibodies of the invention which are directed to HCV proteins and other monoclonal antibodies to other antigenic determinants of the HCV genome.

The polyclonal antibody or fragment thereof which can be used in the assay formats should specifically bind to a specific HCV region or other HCV proteins used in the assay. The polyclonal antibody used preferably is of mammalian origin; human, goat, rabbit or sheep anti-HCV polyclonal antibody can be used. Most preferably, the polyclonal antibody is rabbit polyclonal anti-HCV antibody. The polyclonal antibodies used in the assays can be used either alone or as a cocktail of polyclonal antibodies. Since the cocktails used in the assay formats are comprised of either monoclonal antibodies or polyclonal antibodies having different HCV specificity, they would be useful for diagnosis, evaluation and prognosis of HCV infection, as well as for studying HCV protein differentiation and specificity.

In another assay format, the presence of antibody and/or antigen to HCV can be detected in a simultaneous assay, as follows. A test sample is simultaneously contacted with a capture reagent of a first analyte, wherein said capture reagent

comprises a first binding member specific for a first analyte attached to a solid phase and a capture reagent for a second analyte, wherein said capture reagent comprises a first binding member for a second analyte attached to a second solid phase, to thereby form a mixture. This mixture is incubated for a time and under conditions sufficient to form capture reagent/first analyte and capture reagent/second analyte complexes. These so-formed complexes then are contacted with an indicator reagent comprising a member of a binding pair specific for the first analyte labelled with a signal generating compound and an indicator reagent comprising a member of a binding pair specific for the second analyte labelled with a signal generating compound to form a second mixture. This second mixture is incubated for a time and under conditions sufficient to form capture reagent/first analyte/indicator reagent complexes and capture reagent/second analyte/indicator reagent complexes. The presence of one or more analytes is determined by detecting a signal generated in connection with the complexes formed on either or both solid phases as an indication of the presence of one or more analytes in the test sample. In this assay format, proteins derived from human expression systems may be utilized as well as monoclonal antibodies produced from the proteins derived from the mammalian expression systems as disclosed herein. Such assay systems are described in greater detail in pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 07/574,821 entitled Simultaneous Assay for Detecting One Or More Analytes, filed August 29, 1990, which enjoys common ownership and is incorporated herein by reference.

In yet other assay formats, recombinant proteins may be utilized to detect the presence of anti-HCV in test samples. For example, a test sample is incubated with a solid phase to which at least one recombinant protein has been attached. These are reacted for a time and under conditions sufficient to form antigen/antibody complexes. Following incubation, the antigen/antibody complex is detected. Indicator reagents may be used to facilitate detection, depending upon the assay system chosen. In another assay format, a test sample is contacted with a solid phase to which a recombinant protein produced as described herein is attached and also is contacted with a monoclonal or polyclonal antibody specific for the protein, which preferably has been labelled with an indicator reagent. After incubation for a time and under conditions sufficient for antibody/antigen complexes to form, the solid phase is separated from the free phase, and the label is detected in either the solid or free phase as an indication of the presence of HCV antibody. Other assay formats utilizing the proteins of the present invention are contemplated. These include contacting a test sample with a solid phase to which at

least one recombinant protein produced in the mammalian expression system has been attached, incubating the solid phase and test sample for a time and under conditions sufficient to form antigen/antibody complexes, and then contacting the solid phase with a labelled recombinant antigen. Assays such as this and others are described in pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 07/787,710, which enjoys common ownership and is incorporated herein by reference.

While the present invention discloses the preference for the use of solid phases, it is contemplated that the proteins of the present invention can be utilized in non-solid phase assay systems. These assay systems are known to those skilled in the art, and are considered to be within the scope of the present invention.

The present invention will now be described by way of examples, which are meant to illustrate, but not to limit, the spirit and scope of the invention.

EXAMPLES

Example 1: Generation of HCV Genomic Clones

RNA isolated from the serum or plasma of a chimpanzee (designated as "CO") experimentally infected with HCV, or an HCV seropositive human patient (designated as "LG") was transcribed to cDNA using reverse transcriptase employing either random hexamer primers or specific anti-sense primers derived from the prototype HCV-1 sequence. The sequence has been reported by Choo et al. (Choo et al., Proc. Nat'l. Acad. Sci. USA 88:2451-2455 [1991], and is available through GenBank data base, Accession No. M62321). This cDNA then was amplified using PCR and AmpliTaq® DNA polymerase (available in the Gene Amp Kit® from Perkin Elmer Cetus, Norwalk, Connecticut 06859) employing either a second sense primer located approximately 1000-2000 nucleotides upstream of the specific antisense primer or a pair of sense and antisense primers flanking a 1000-2000 nucleotide fragment of HCV. After 25 to 35 cycles of amplification following standard procedures known in the art, an aliquot of this reaction mixture was subjected to nested PCR (or "PCR-2"), wherein a pair of sense and antisense primers located internal to the original pair of PCR primers was employed to further amplify HCV gene segments in quantities sufficient for analysis and subcloning, utilizing endonuclease recognition sequences present in the second set of PCR primers. In this manner, seven adjacent HCV DNA fragments were generated which then could be assembled using the generic cloning strategy presented and described in FIGURE 1. The location of the specific primers used in this manner are presented in Table 1 and are numbered according to the HCV-1 sequence reported by Choo et al (GenBank data base, Accession No. M62321). Prior to

assembly, the DNA sequence of each of the individual fragments was determined and translated into the genomic amino acid sequences presented in SEQUENCE ID. NO. 1 and 2, respectively, for CO and LG, respectively. Comparison of the genomic polypeptide of CO with that of HCV-1 demonstrated 98 amino acid differences.

5 Comparison of the genomic polypeptide of CO with that of LG. demonstrated 150 amino acid differences. Comparison of the genomic polypeptide of LG with that of HCV-1 demonstrated 134 amino acid differences.

Example 2. Expression of the HCV E2 Protein As A Fusion
With The Amyloid Precursor Protein (APP)

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The HCV E2 protein from CO developed as described in Example 1 was expressed as a fusion with the Amyloid Precursor Protein (APP). APP has been described by Kang et al., Nature 325:733-736 (1987). Briefly, HCV amino acids 384-749 of the CO isolate were used to replace the majority of the APP coding

15 sequence as demonstrated in FIGURE 2. A HindIII-StyI DNA fragment representing the amino-terminal 66 amino acids and a BglII-XbaI fragment representing the carboxyl-terminal 105 amino acids of APP were ligated to a PCR derived HCV fragment from CO representing HCV amino acids 384-749 containing StyI and BglII restriction sites on its 5' and 3' ends, respectively. This APP-HCV-E2 fusion gene

20 cassette then was cloned into the commercially available mammalian expression vector pRC/CMV shown in FIGURE 3, (available from Invitrogen, San Diego, CA) at the unique HindIII and XbaI sites. After transformation into E. coli DH5a, a clone designated pHCV-162 was isolated, which placed the expression of the APP-HCV-E2 fusion gene cassette under control of the strong CMV promotor. The complete

25 nucleotide sequence of the mammalian expression vector pHCV-152 is presented in SEQUENCE ID. NO. 3. Translation of nucleotides 922 through 2535 results in the complete amino acid sequence of the APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-162 as presented in SEQUENCE ID. NO. 4.

A primary Human Embryonic Kidney (HEK) cell line transformed with

30 human adenovirus type 5, designated as HEK-293, was used for all transfections and expression analyses. HEK-293 cells were maintained in Minimum Essential Medium (MEM) which was supplemented with 10% fetal calf serum (FCS), penicillin and streptomycin.

Approximately 20 µg of purified DNA from pHCV-162 was transfected into

35 HEK-293 cells using the modified calcium phosphate protocol as reported by Chen et al., Molecular and Cellular Biology 7(8):2745-2752 (1987). The calcium-phosphate-DNA solution was incubated on the HEK-293 cells for about 15 to 24

hours. The solution was removed, the cells were washed twice with MEM media, and then the cells were incubated in MEM media for an additional 24 to 48 hours. In order to analyze protein expression, the transfected cells were metabolically labelled with 100 μ Ci/ml S-35 methionine and cysteine for 12 to 18 hours. The culture media was removed and stored, and the cells were washed in MEM media and then lysed in phosphate buffered saline (PBS) containing 1% Triton X-100® (available from Sigma Chemical Co., St. Louis, MO), 0.1% sodium dodecyl sulfate (SDS), and 0.5% deoxycholate, designated as PBS-TDS. This cell lysate then was frozen at -70°C for 2 to 24 hours, thawed on ice and then clarified by centrifugation at 50,000 x g force for one hour at 4°C. Standard radio-immunoprecipitation assays (RIPAs) then were conducted on those labelled cell lysates and/or culture medias. Briefly, labelled cell lysates and/or culture medias were incubated with 2 to 5 μ l of specific sera at 4°C for one hour. Protein-A sepharose then was added and the samples were further incubated for one hour at 4°C with agitation. The samples were then centrifuged and the pellets washed several times with PBS-TDS buffer. Proteins recovered by immunoprecipitation were eluted by heating in an electrophoresis sample buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl, pH 6.8, 100 mM dithiothreitol [DTT], 2% SDS, 0.1% bromophenol blue, and 10% glycerol) for five minutes at 95°C. The eluted proteins then were separated by SDS polyacrylamide gels which were subsequently treated with a fluorographic reagent such as Enlightening® (available from NEN [DuPont], Boston, MA), dried under vacuum and exposed to x-ray film at -70°C with intensifying screens. FIGURE 4 presents a RIPA analysis of pHCV-162 transfected HEK cell lysate precipitated with normal human sera (NHS), a monoclonal antibody directed against APP sequences which were replaced in this construct (MAB), and an HCV antibody positive human sera (#25). Also presented in FIGURE 4 is the culture media (supernatant) precipitated with the same HCV antibody positive human sera (#25). From FIGURE 4, it can be discerned that while only low levels of an HCV specific protein of approximately 75K daltons is detected in the culture media of HEK-293 cells transfected with pHCV-162, high levels of intracellular protein expression of the APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein of approximately 70K daltons is evident.

In order to further characterize this APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein, rabbit polyclonal antibody raised against synthetic peptides were used in a similar RIPA, the results of which are illustrated in FIGURE 5. As can be discerned from this Figure, normal rabbit serum (NRS) does not precipitate the 70K dalton protein while rabbit sera raised against HCV amino acids 509-551 (6512), HCV amino

acids 380-436 (6521), and APP amino acids 45-62 (anti- N-terminus) are highly specific for the 70K dalton APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein.

In order to enhance secretion of this APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein, another clone was generated which fused only the amino-terminal 66 amino acids of APP, which contain the putative secretion signal sequences to the HCV-E2 sequences. In addition, a strongly hydrophobic sequence at the carboxyl-terminal end of the HCV-E2 sequence which was identified as a potential transmembrane spanning region was deleted. The resulting clone was designated as pHCV-167 and is schematically illustrated in FIGURE 2. The complete nucleotide sequence of the mammalian expression vector pHCV-167 is presented in SEQUENCE ID. NO. 5. Translation of nucleotides 922 through 2025 results in the complete amino acid sequence of the APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-167 as presented in SEQUENCE ID. NO. 6. Purified DNA of pHCV-167 was transfected into HEK-293 cells and analyzed by RIPA and polyacrylamide SDS gels as described previously herein. FIGURE 6 presents the results in which a normal human serum sample (NHS) failed to recognize the APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein present in either the cell lysate or the cell supernatant of HEK-293 cells transfected with pHCV-167. The positive control HCV serum sample (#25), however, precipitated an approximately 65K dalton APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein present in the cell lysate of HEK-293 cells transfected with pHCV-167. In addition, substantial quantities of secreted APP-HCV-E2 protein of approximately 70K daltons was precipitated from the culture media by serum #25.

Digestion with Endoglycosidase-H (Endo-H) was conducted to ascertain the extent and composition of N-linked glycosylation in the APP-HCV E2 fusion proteins expressed by pHCV-167 and pHCV-162 in HEK-293 cells. Briefly, multiple aliquots of labelled cell lysates from pHCV-162 and pHCV-167 transfected HEK-293 cells were precipitated with human serum #50 which contained antibody to HCV E2 as previously described. The Protein-A sepharose pellet containing the immunoprecipitated protein-antibody complex was then resuspended in buffer (75mM sodium acetate, 0.05% SDS) containing or not containing 0.05 units per ml of Endo-H (Sigma). Digestions were performed at 37°C for 12 to 18 hours and all samples were analyzed by polyacrylamide SDS gels as previously described. FIGURE 7 presents the results of Endo-H digestion. Carbon-14 labelled molecular weight standards (MW) (obtained from Amersham, Arlington Heights, IL) are common on all gels and represent 200K, 92.5K, 69K, 46K, 30K and 14.3K daltons, respectively. Normal human serum (NHS) does not immunoprecipitate the APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by either pHCV-162 or pHCV-167, while

human serum positive for HCV E2 antibody (#50) readily detects the 72K dalton APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein in pHCV-162 and the 65K dalton APP-HCV E2 fusion protein in pHCV-167. Incubation of these immunoprecipitated proteins in the absence of Endo-H (#50 -Endo-H) does not significantly affect the quantity or mobility of either pHCV-162 or pHCV-167 expressed proteins. Incubation in the presence of Endo-H (#50 +Endo-H), however, drastically reduces the mobility of the proteins expressed by pHCV-162 and pHCV-167, producing a heterogeneous size distribution. The predicted molecular weight of the non-glycosylated polypeptide backbone of pHCV-162 is approximately 59K daltons. Endo-H treatment of pHCV-162 lowers the mobility to a minimum of approximately 44K daltons, indicating that the APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein produced by pHCV-162 is proteolytically cleaved at the carboxyl-terminal end. A size of approximately 44K daltons is consistent with cleavage at or near HCV amino acid 720. Similarly, Endo-H treatment of pHCV-167 lowers the mobility to a minimum of approximately 41K daltons, which compares favorably with the predicted molecular weight of approximately 40K daltons for the intact APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-167.

Example 3 Detection of HCV E2 Antibodies

Radio-immunoprecipitation assay (RIPA) and polyacrylamide SDS gel analysis previously described was used to screen numerous serum samples for the presence of antibody directed against HCV E2 epitopes. HEK-293 cells transfected with pHCV-162 were metabolically labelled and cell lysates prepared as previously described. In addition to RIPA analysis, all serum samples were screened for the presence of antibodies directed against specific HCV recombinant antigens representing distinct areas of the HCV genome using the Abbott Matrix® System. (available from Abbott Laboratories, Abbott Park, IL 60064, U.S. No. Patent 5,075,077). In the Matrix data presented in Tables 2 through 7, C100 yeast represents the NS4 region containing HCV amino acids 1569-1930, C100 E.coli represents HCV amino acids 1676-1930, NS3 represents HCV amino acids 1192-1457, and CORE represents HCV amino acids 1-150.

FIGURE 8 presents a representative RIPA result obtained using pHCV-162 cell lysate to screen HCV antibody positive American blood donors and transfusion recipients. Table 2 summarizes the antibody profile of these various American blood samples, with seven of seventeen (41%) samples demonstrating HCV E2 antibody. Genomic variability in the E2 region has been demonstrated between different HCV isolates, particularly in geographically distinct isolates which may

lead to differences in antibody responses. We therefore screened twenty-six Japanese volunteer blood donors and twenty Spanish hemodialysis patients previously shown to contain HCV antibody for the presence of specific antibody to the APP-HCV E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-162. Figures 9 and 10 present the RIPA analysis on twenty-six Japanese volunteer blood donors. Positive control human sera (#50) and molecular weight standards (MW) appear in both figures in which the specific immunoprecipitation of the approximately 72K dalton APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein is demonstrated for several of the serum samples tested. Table 3 presents both the APP-HCV-E2 RIPA and Abbott Matrix[®] results summarizing the antibody profiles of each of the twenty-six Japanese samples tested. Table 4 presents similar data for the twenty Spanish hemodialysis patients tested. Table 5 summarizes the RIPA results obtained using pHCV-162 to detect HCV E2 specific antibody in these various samples. Eighteen of twenty-six (69%) Japanese volunteers blood donors, fourteen of twenty (70%) Spanish hemodialysis patients, and seven of seventeen (41%) American blood donors or transfusion recipients demonstrated a specific antibody response against the HCV E2 fusion protein. The broad immunoreactivity demonstrated by the APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-162 suggests the recognition of conserved epitopes within HCV E2.

Serial bleeds from five transfusion recipients which seroconverted to HCV antibody were also screened using the APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-162. This analysis was conducted to ascertain the time interval after exposure to HCV at which E2 specific antibodies can be detected. Table 6 presents one such patient (AN) who seroconverted to NS3 at 154 days post transfusion (DPT). Antibodies to HCV E2 were not detected by RIPA until 271 DPT. Table 7 presents another such patient (WA), who seroconverted to CORE somewhere before 76 DPT and was positive for HCV E2 antibodies on the next available bleed date (103 DPT). Table 8 summarizes the serological results obtained from these five transfusion recipients indicating (a) some general antibody profile at seroconversion (AB Status); (b) the days post transfusion at which an ELISA test would most likely detect HCV antibody (2.0 GEN); (c) the samples in which HCV E2 antibody was detected by RIPA (E2 AB Status); and (d) the time interval covered by the bleed dates tested (Samples Tested). The results indicate that antibody to HCV E2, as detected in the RIPA procedure described here, appears after seroconversion to at least one other HCV marker (CORE, NS3, C100, etc.) and is persistent in nature once it appears. In addition, the absence of antibody to the structural gene CORE appears highly correlated with the absence of detectable antibody to E2,

another putative structural antigen. Further work is ongoing to correlate the presence or absence of HCV gene specific antibodies with progression of disease and/or time interval since exposure to HCV viral antigens.

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Example 4 Expression of HCV E1 and E2 Using
Human Growth Hormone Secretion Signal

HCV DNA fragments representing HCV E1 (HCV amino acids 192 to 384) and HCV E2 (HCV amino acids 384-750 and 384-684) were generated from the CO isolate using PCR as described in Example 2. An Eco RI restriction site was used to
10 attach a synthetic oligonucleotide encoding the Human Growth Hormone (HGH) secretion signal (Blak et al, Oncogene, 3 129-136, 1988) at the 5' end of these HCV sequence. The resulting fragment was then cloned into the commercially available mammalian expression vector pCDNA-I, (available from Invitrogen, San Diego, California) illustrated in FIGURE 11. Upon transformation into E. coli
15 MC1061/P3, the resulting clones place the expression of the cloned sequence under control of the strong CMV promoter. Following the above outlined methods, a clone capable of expressing HCV-E1 (HCV amino acids 192-384) employing the HGH secretion signal at the extreme amino-terminal end was isolated. The clone was designated pHCV-168 and is schematically illustrated in FIGURE 12. Similarly,
20 clones capable of expressing HCV E2 (HCV amino acids 384-750 or 384-684) employing the HGH secretion signal were isolated, designated pHCV-169 and pHVC-170 respectively and illustrated in FIGURE 13. The complete nucleotide sequence of the mammalian expression vectors pHCV-168, pHCV-169, and pHCV-170 are presented in Sequence ID. NO. 7, 9, and 11 respectively. Translation of
25 nucleotides 2227 through 2813 results in the complete amino acid sequence of the HGH-HCV-E1 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-168 as presented in Sequence ID. NO. 8. Translation of nucleotides 2227 through 3426 results in the complete amino acid sequence of the HGH-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-169 as presented in Sequence ID. NO. 10. Translation of nucleotides 2227 through 3228
30 results in the complete amino acid sequence of the HGH-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-170 as presented in Sequence ID. NO. 12. Purified DNA from pHCV-168, pHCV-169, and pHCV-170 was transfected into HEK-293 cells which were then metabolically labelled, cell lysates prepared, and RIPA analysis performed as described previously herein. Seven sera samples previously shown to
35 contain antibodies to the APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-162 were screened against the labelled cell lysates of pHCV-168, pHCV-169, and pHCV-170. Figure 14 presents the RIPA analysis for pHCV-168 and demonstrated that five

sera containing HCV E2 antibodies also contain HCV E1 antibodies directed against as approximately 33K dalton HGH-HCV-E1 fusion protein (#25, #50, 121, 503, and 728), while two other sera do not contain those antibodies (476 and 505). Figure 15 presents the RIPA results obtained when the same sera indicated above were screened against the labelled cell lysates of either pHCV-169 or pHCV-170. All seven HCV E1 antibody positive sera detected two protein species of approximately 70K and 75K daltons in cells transfected with pHCV-168. These two different HGH-HCV-E2 protein species could result from incomplete proteolytic cleavage of the HCV E2 sequence at the carboxyl-terminal end (at or near HCV amino acid 720) or from differences in carbohydrate processing between the two species. All seven HCV E2 antibody positive sera detected a single protein species of approximately 62K daltons for the HGH-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-170. Table 9 summarizes the serological profile of six of the seven HCV E2 antibody positive sera screened against the HGH-HCV-E1 fusion protein expressed by pHCV-170. Further work is ongoing to correlate the presence or absence of HCV gene specific antibodies with progression of disease and/or time interval since exposure to HCV viral antigens.

Clones pHCV-167 and pHCV-162 have been deposited at the American Type Culture Collection, 12301 Parklawn Drive, Rockville, Maryland, 20852, as of January 17, 1992 under the terms of the Budapest Treaty, and accorded the following ATCC Designation Numbers: Clone pHCV-167 was accorded ATCC deposit number 68893 and clone pHCV-162 was accorded ATCC deposit number 68894. Clones pHCV-168, pHCV-169 and pHCV-170 have been deposited at the American Type Culture Collection, 12301 Parklawn Drive, Rockville, Maryland, 20852, as of January 26, 1993 under the terms of the Budapest Treaty, and accorded the following ATCC Designation Numbers: Clone pHCV-168 was accorded ATCC deposit number 69228, clone pHCV-169 was accorded ATCC deposit number 69229 and clone pHCV-170 was accorded ATCC deposit number 69230. The designated deposits will be maintained for a period of thirty (30) years from the date of deposit, or for five (5) years after the last request for the deposit, or for the enforceable life of the U.S. patent, whichever is longer. These deposits and other deposited materials mentioned herein are intended for convenience only, and are not required to practice the invention in view of the descriptions herein. The HCV cDNA sequences in all of the deposited materials are incorporated herein by reference.

Other variations of applications of the use of the proteins and mammalian expression systems provided herein will be apparent to those skilled in the art.

Accordingly, the invention is intended to be limited only in accordance with the appended claims.

TABLE 1

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FRAGMENT	PCR-1 PRIMERS		PCR-2 PRIMERS	
	SENSE	ANTISENSE	SENSE	ANTISENSE
1	1-17	1376-1400	14-31	1344-1364
2	1320-1344	2332-2357	1357-1377	2309-2327
3	2288-2312	3245-3269	2322-2337	3224-3242
4	3178-3195	5303-5321	3232-3252	5266-5289
5	5229-5249	6977-6996	5273-5292	6940-6962
6	6907-6925	8221-8240	6934-6954	8193-8216
7	8175-8194	9385-9401	8199-8225	9363-9387

TABLE 2

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AMERICAN HCV POSITIVE SERA

SAMPLE	C100 YEAST S/CO	C100 E.COLT S/CO	NS3 S/CO	COPE S/CO	E2 RIPA
22	0.31	1.09	1.72	284.36	+
32	0.02	0.10	7.95	331.67	-
35	0.43	0.68	54.61	2.81	-
37	136.24	144.29	104.13	245.38	+
50	101.04	133.69	163.65	263.72	+
108	39.07	34.55	108.79	260.47	-
121	1.28	4.77	172.65	291.82	+
128	0.06	0.06	0.87	298.49	-
129	0.00	0.02	107.11	0.00	-
142	8.45	8.88	73.93	2.32	-
156	0.45	0.14	0.67	161.84	-
163	1.99	3.26	11.32	24.36	-
MI	89.9	118.1	242.6	120.4	-
KE	167.2	250.9	0.8	0.3	-
WA	164.4	203.3	223.9	160.9	+
PA	50.6	78.8	103.8	78.0	+
AN	224.8	287.8	509.9	198.8	+

TABLE 3
JAPANESE HCV POSITIVE POSITIVE BLOOD DONORS

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SAMPLE	C100 YEAST S/CO	C100 ECOLT S/CO	NS3 S/CO	COFE S/CO	E2 RIPA
410	86.33	93.59	9.68	257.82	+
435	0.18	0.18	0.69	39.25	+
441	0.20	0.09	0.17	6.51	-
476	0.37	1.29	144.66	302.35	+
496	39.06	37.95	2.78	319.99	-
560	1.08	0.68	3.28	26.59	-
589	0.06	1.28	117.82	224.23	+
620	0.17	1.37	163.41	256.64	+
622	123.46	162.54	154.67	243.44	+
623	23.46	26.55	143.72	277.24	+
633	0.01	0.43	161.84	264.02	+
639	1.40	2.23	12.15	289.80	+
641	0.01	0.08	8.65	275.00	+
648	-0.00	0.03	0.79	282.64	+
649	97.00	127.36	147.46	194.73	+
657	4.12	6.33	141.04	256.57	+
666	0.14	0.24	5.90	60.82	-
673	72.64	90.11	45.31	317.66	+
677	0.05	0.23	2.55	99.67	-
694	86.72	87.18	45.43	248.80	+
696	0.02	-0.02	0.26	12.55	-
706	17.02	12.96	153.77	266.87	+
717	0.04	0.02	0.15	10.46	-
728	-0.01	0.26	90.37	246.30	+
740	0.02	0.10	0.25	46.27	-
743	1.95	1.56	133.23	254.25	+

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TABLE 4
SPANISH HEMODIALYSIS PATIENTS

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SAMPLE	C100 YEAST S/CO	C100 ECOLT S/CO	NS3 S/CO	COORE S/CO	E2 RIPA
1	0.0	0.3	188.6	-0.0	-
2	129.3	142.8	165.4	201.0	+
3	113.7	128.5	154.5	283.3	+
5	130.6	143.8	133.4	186.1	+
6	56.2	63.4	93.6	32.0	+
7	0.0	0.2	72.1	211.5	+
8	156.7	171.9	155.1	227.0	+
9	65.3	78.9	76.1	102.6	+
10	136.7	149.3	129.4	190.2	+
11	0.0	0.7	155.7	272.4	+
12	1.0	1.9	143.6	210.6	+
13	0.0	0.3	111.2	91.1	-
14	1.1	3.1	94.7	214.8	-
15	45.9	66.1	106.3	168.2	+
16	36.3	68.8	149.3	0.1	-
17	121.0	129.9	113.4	227.8	+
18	64.8	99.7	138.9	0.2	-
19	25.6	34.1	157.4	254.9	+
20	104.9	125.1	126.8	218.3	+
21	48.1	68.5	0.8	49.4	-

TABLE 5
ANTIBODY RESPONSE TO HCV PROTEINS

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	C100 YEAST S/CO	C100 E. COLI S/CO	NS3 S/CO	COORE S/CO	E2 RIPA
AMERICAN BLOOD DONORS	11/17	12/17	14/17	15/17	7/17
SPANISH HEMODIALYSIS PATIENTS	16/20	16/20	19/20	17/20	14/20
JAPANESE BLOOD DONORS	12/26	14/26	20/26	26/26	18/26

TABLE 6
HUMAN TRANSFUSION RECIPIENT (AN)

5	DAYS POST TRANS	C100 YEAST S/CO	C100 E. COLI S/CO	NS3 S/CO	COORE S/CO	E2 RIPA
	29	1.8	1.9	8.9	1.1	-
	57	0.4	0.3	1.2	0.4	-
	88	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.7	-
	116	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.2	-
	154	0.3	0.7	65.3	0.8	-
	179	18.0	21.5	445.6	1.5	-
	271	257.4	347.2	538.0	3.1	+
	376	240.0	382.5	513.5	139.2	+
	742	292.9	283.7	505.3	198.1	+
	1105	282.1	353.9	456.1	202.2	+
	1489	224.8	287.8	509.9	198.8	+

TABLE 7
HUMAN TRANSFUSION RECIPIENT (WA)

10	DAYS POST TRANS	C100 YEAST S/CO	C100 E. COLI S/CO	NS3 S/CO	COORE S/CO	E2 RIPA
	43	0.1	0.6	0.4	1.2	-
	76	0.1	0.1	0.9	72.7	-
	103	0.0	0.6	1.4	184.4	+
	118	3.7	3.7	1.9	208.7	+
	145	83.8	98.9	12.3	178.0	+
	158	142.1	173.8	134.3	185.2	+
	174	164.4	203.3	223.9	160.9	+

TABLE 8
HUMAN TRANSFUSION RECIPIENTS

	<u>AB STATUS</u>	<u>2.0 GEN</u>	<u>E2 AB STATUS</u>	<u>SAMPLES TESTED</u>
MI	STRONG RESPONSE	78 DPT NEG.		1-178 DPT
KE	EARLY C100	103 DPT NEG.		1-166 DPT
WA	EARLY CORE	76 DPT POS.	103-173 DPT	1-173 DPT
PA	EARLY C100	127 DPT POS.	1491-3644 DPT	1-3644 DPT
AN	EARLY 33C	179 DPT POS.	271-1489 DPT	1-1489 DPT

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TABLE 9
SELECTED HCV E2 ANTIBODY POSITIVE SAMPLES

	<u>SAMPLE</u>	<u>C100 YEAST S/CO</u>	<u>C100 E. COLI S/CO</u>	<u>NS3 S/CO</u>	<u>CORE S/CO</u>	<u>E2 RIPA</u>
10	50	101.04	133.69	163.65	263.72	+
	121	1.28	4.77	172.65	291.82	+
	503	113.7	128.5	154.5	283.3	+
	505	130.6	143.8	133.4	186.1	-
	476	0.37	1.29	144.66	302.35	-
	728	-0.01	0.26	90.37	246.30	+

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(v) COMPUTER READABLE FORM:

(A) MEDIUM TYPE: Floppy disk
(B) COMPUTER: IBM PC compatible
(C) OPERATING SYSTEM: PC-DOS/MS-DOS
(D) SOFTWARE: PatentIn Release #1.0, Version #1.25

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(B) TYPE: amino acid
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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

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Leu Asn Thr Gly Trp Leu Ala Gly Leu Phe Tyr His His Lys Phe Asn		
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(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 3011 amino acids
(B) TYPE: amino acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

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 Trp Gly Val Leu Ala Gly Ile Ala Tyr Phe Ser Met Val Gly Asn Trp
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 370 375 380
 Thr Tyr Thr Thr Gly Gly Ser Val Ala Arg Thr Thr His Gly Leu Ser

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385	390	395	400
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Leu Asp Thr Gly Trp Val Ala Gly Leu Phe Tyr Tyr His Lys Phe Asn	435	440	445
Ser Ser Gly Cys Pro Glu Arg Met Ala Ser Cys Arg Pro Leu Ala Asp	450	455	460
Phe Asp Gln Gly Trp Gly Pro Ile Ser Tyr Thr Asn Gly Ser Gly Pro	465	470	475
Glu His Arg Pro Tyr Cys Trp His Tyr Pro Pro Lys Pro Cys Gly Ile	485	490	495
Val Pro Ala Gln Ser Val Cys Gly Pro Val Tyr Cys Phe Thr Pro Ser	500	505	510
Pro Val Val Val Gly Thr Thr Asp Lys Ser Gly Ala Pro Thr Tyr Thr	515	520	525
Trp Gly Ser Asn Asp Thr Asp Val Phe Val Leu Asn Asn Thr Arg Pro	530	535	540
Pro Pro Gly Asn Trp Phe Gly Cys Thr Trp Met Asn Ser Ser Gly Phe	545	550	555
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Thr Leu Phe Lys Val Arg Met Tyr Val Gly Gly Val Glu His Arg Leu	625	630	635
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Ala Gly Val Ala Gly Ala Leu Val Ala Phe Lys Ile Met Ser Gly Glu
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Pro Gly Ala Leu Val Val Gly Val Val Cys Ala Ala Ile Leu Arg Arg
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 3010



(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 7298 base pairs
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single
(D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION: 922..2532

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:3:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:4:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 537 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:4:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:5:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 7106 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION: 922..2022

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:5:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:6:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 367 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:6:

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Lys	Phe	Asn	Ser	Ser	Gly	Cys	Pro	Glu	Arg	Leu	Ala	Ser	Cys	Arg	Arg	130	135	140	
Leu	Thr	Asp	Phe	Ala	Gln	Gly	Gly	Gly	Pro	Ile	Ser	Tyr	Ala	Asn	Gly	145	150	155	160
Ser	Gly	Leu	Asp	Glu	Arg	Pro	Tyr	Cys	Trp	His	Tyr	Pro	Pro	Arg	Pro	165	170	175	
Cys	Gly	Ile	Val	Pro	Ala	Lys	Ser	Val	Cys	Gly	Pro	Val	Tyr	Cys	Phe	180	185	190	
Thr	Pro	Ser	Pro	Val	Val	Val	Gly	Thr	Thr	Asp	Arg	Ser	Gly	Ala	Pro	195	200	205	
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Pro Glu Ala Thr Tyr Ser Arg Cys Gly Ser Gly Pro Trp Ile Thr Pro
275 280 285

Arg Cys Met Val Asp Tyr Pro Tyr Arg Leu Trp His Tyr Pro Cys Thr
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Ile Asn Tyr Thr Ile Phe Lys Val Arg Met Tyr Val Gly Gly Val Glu
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His Arg Leu Glu Ala Ala Cys Asn Trp Thr Arg Gly Glu Arg Cys Asp
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Leu Glu Asp Arg Asp Arg Ser Glu Leu Ser Pro Leu Leu Leu Ser Thr
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:7:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 4810 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION: 2227..2910

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:7:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:8:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 228 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:8:

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 His Thr Pro Gly Cys Val Pro Cys Val Arg Glu Gly Asn Ala Ser Arg
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:9:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 5323 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION: 2227..3423

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:9:

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- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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2. Plasmid pHCV-167.
3. Plasmid pHCV-168.
- 5 4. Plasmid pHCV-169.
5. Plasmid pHCV-170.
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7. APP-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by a mammalian expression vector pHCV-167.
- 10 8. HGH-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by a mammalian expression vector pHCV-168.
9. HGH-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by a mammalian expression vector pHCV-169.
- 15 10. HGH-HCV-E2 fusion protein expressed by a mammalian expression vector pHCV-170.
11. A method for detecting HCV antigen or antibody in a test sample suspected of containing HCV antigen or antibody, wherein the improvement comprises contacting the test sample with a glycosylated HCV antigen produced in a mammalian expression system.
- 20 12. A method for detecting HCV antigen or antibody in a test sample suspected of containing HCV antigen or antibody, wherein the improvement comprises contacting the test sample with an antibody produced by using a glycosylated HCV antigen produced in a mammalian expression system.
- 25 13. The method of claim 12 wherein said antibody is a monoclonal antibody.
14. The method of claim 12 wherein said antibody is a polyclonal antibody.
15. A test kit for detecting the presence of HCV antigen or HCV antigen in a test sample suspected of containing said HCV antigen or antibody, comprising:
 - a container containing a glycosylated HCV antigen produced in a mammalian expression system.
- 30 16. The test kit of claim 15 further comprising an antibody produced by using a glycosylated HCV antigen produced in a mammalian expression system.
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17. A test kit for detecting the presence of HCV antigen or HCV antigen in a test sample suspected of containing said HCV antigen or HCV antibody, comprising:

5 a container containing an antibody produced by using a glycosylated HCV antigen produced in a mammalian expression system.

18. The test kit of claim 17 wherein said antibody is a polyclonal antibody.

19. The test kit of claim 17 wherein said antibody is a monoclonal antibody.

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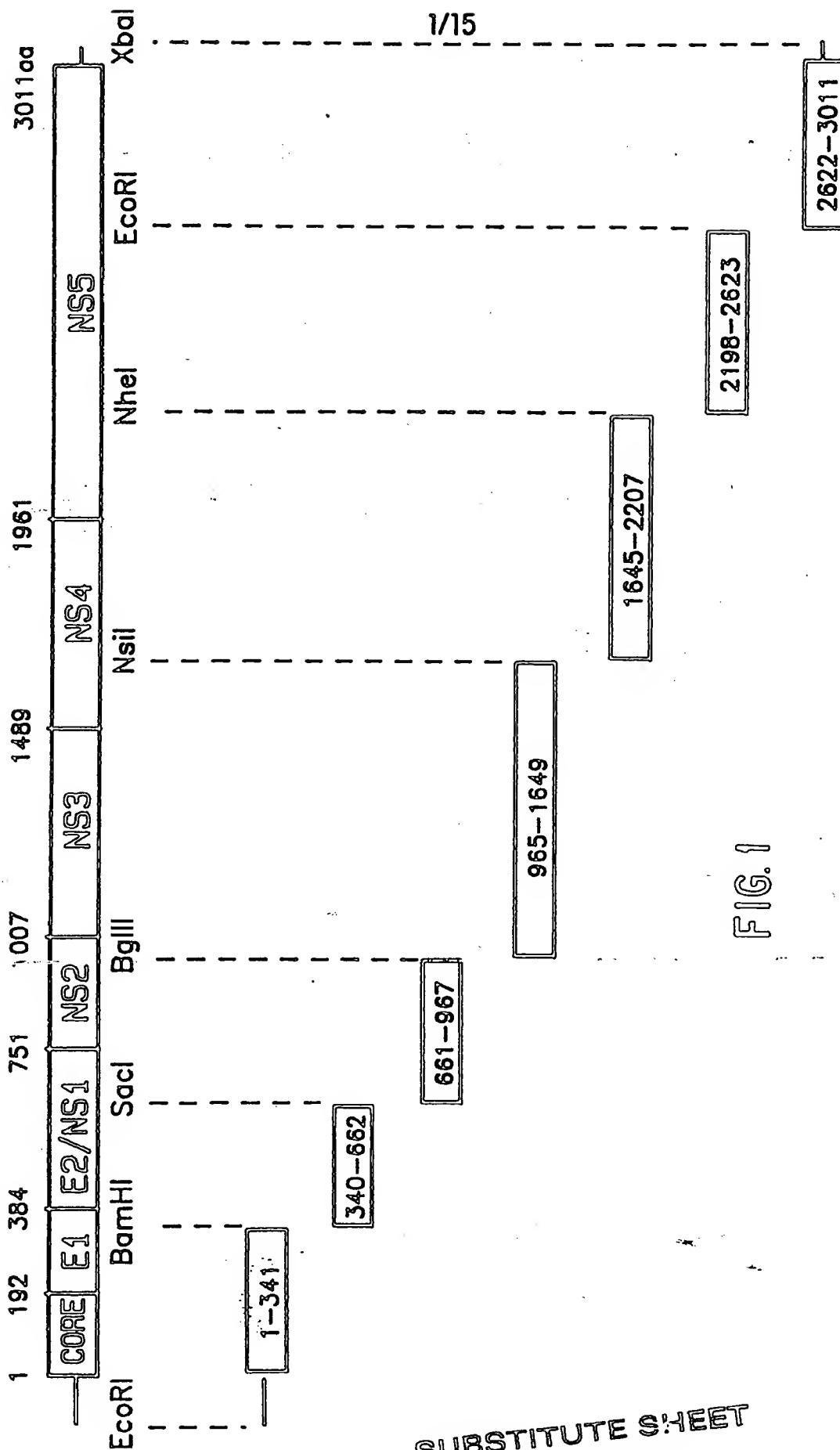


FIG. 1

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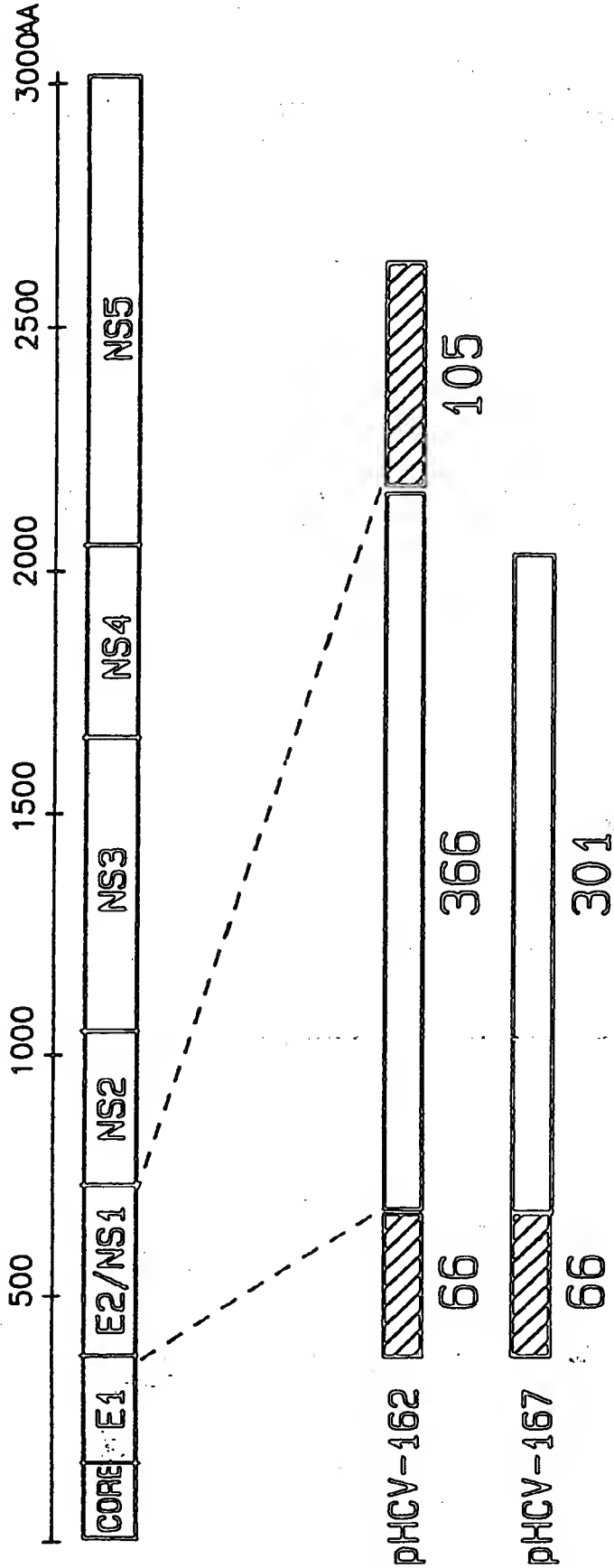


FIG. 2

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HCV AA# 384-684
FUSION TO APP PROTEIN
CMV PROMOTER
HEK CELLS

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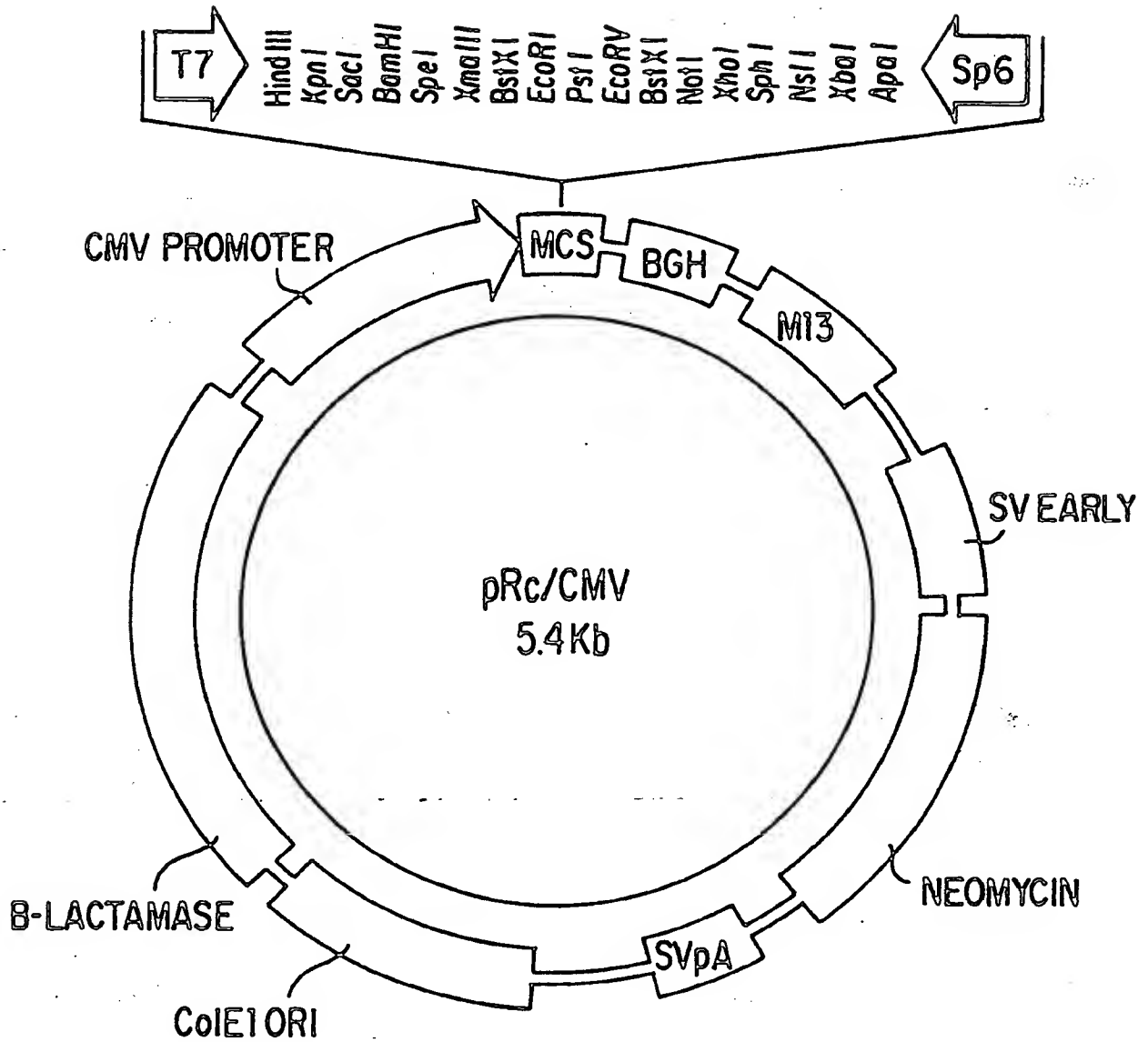


FIG.3

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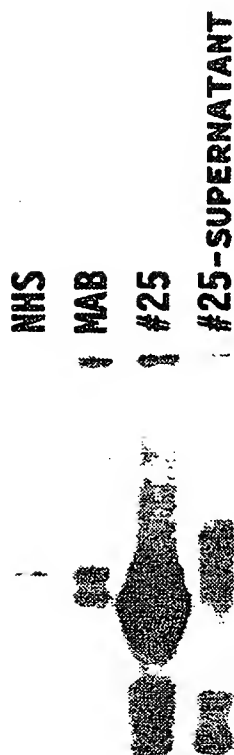


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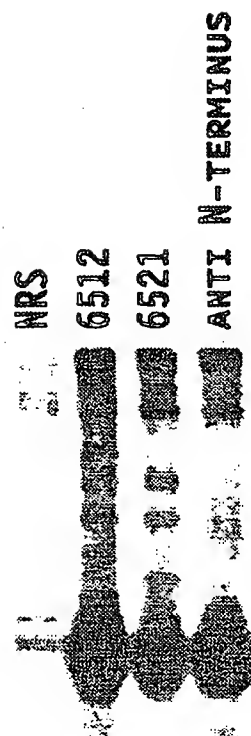


FIG. 5

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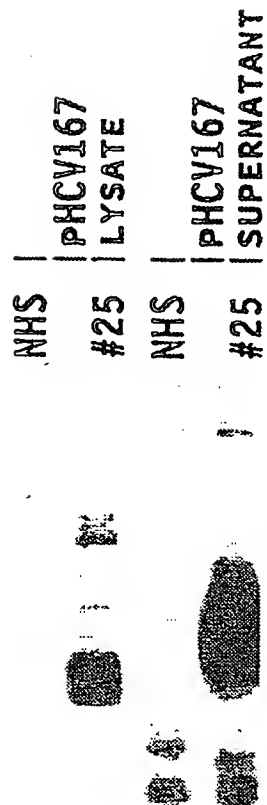


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FIG. 7

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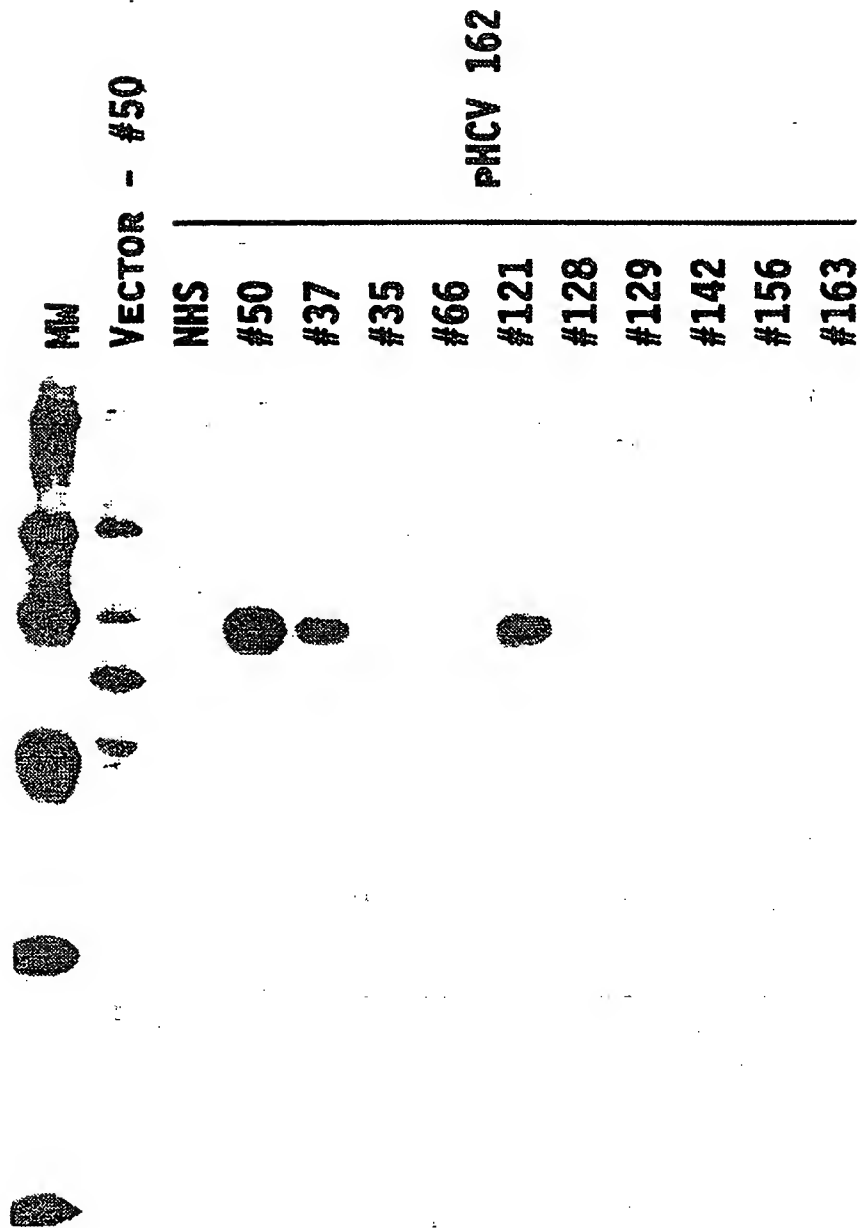


FIG. 8

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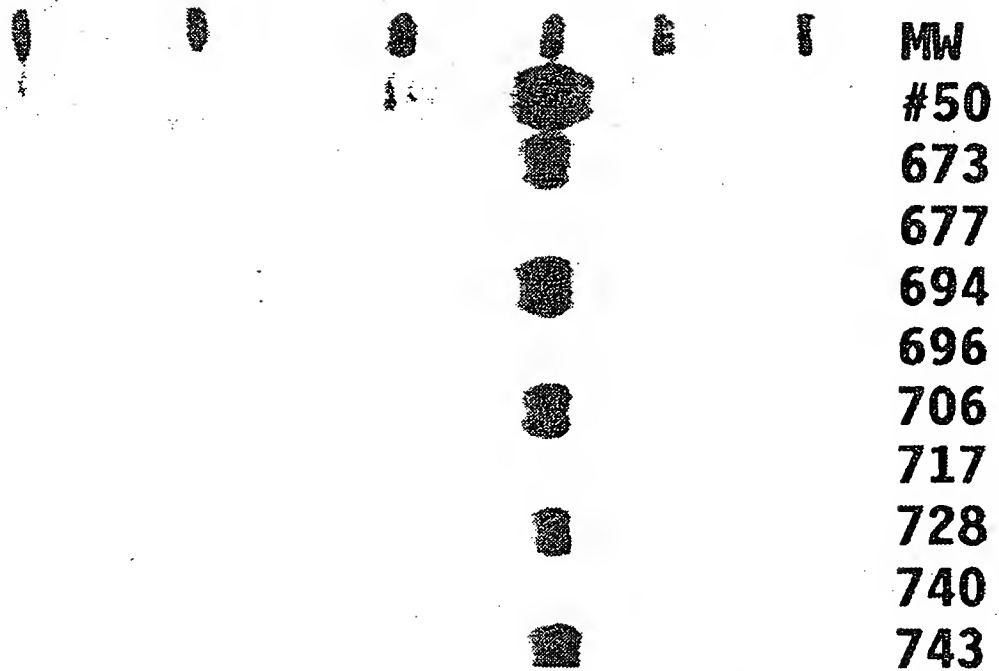


FIG. 10

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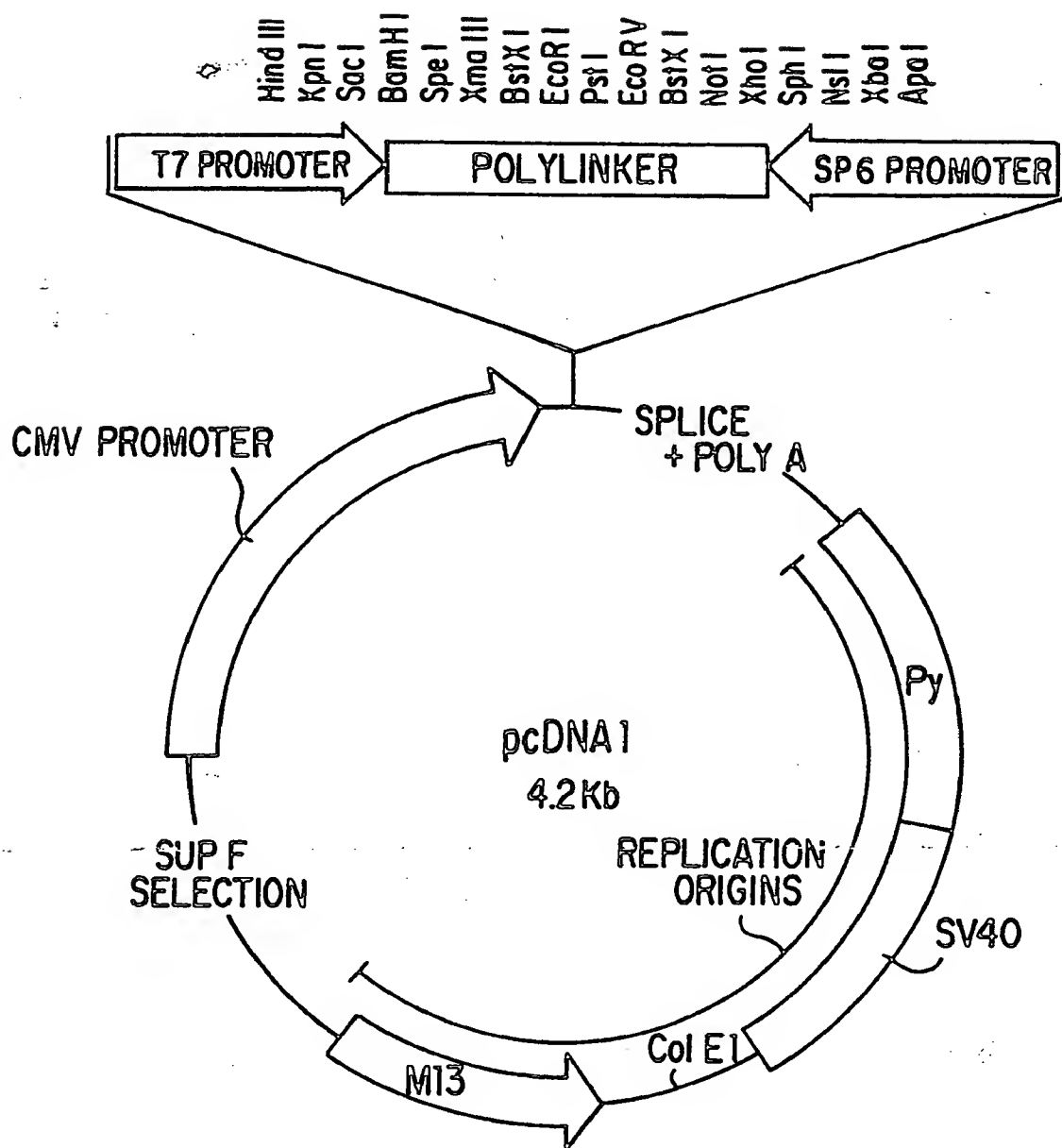


FIG. 11

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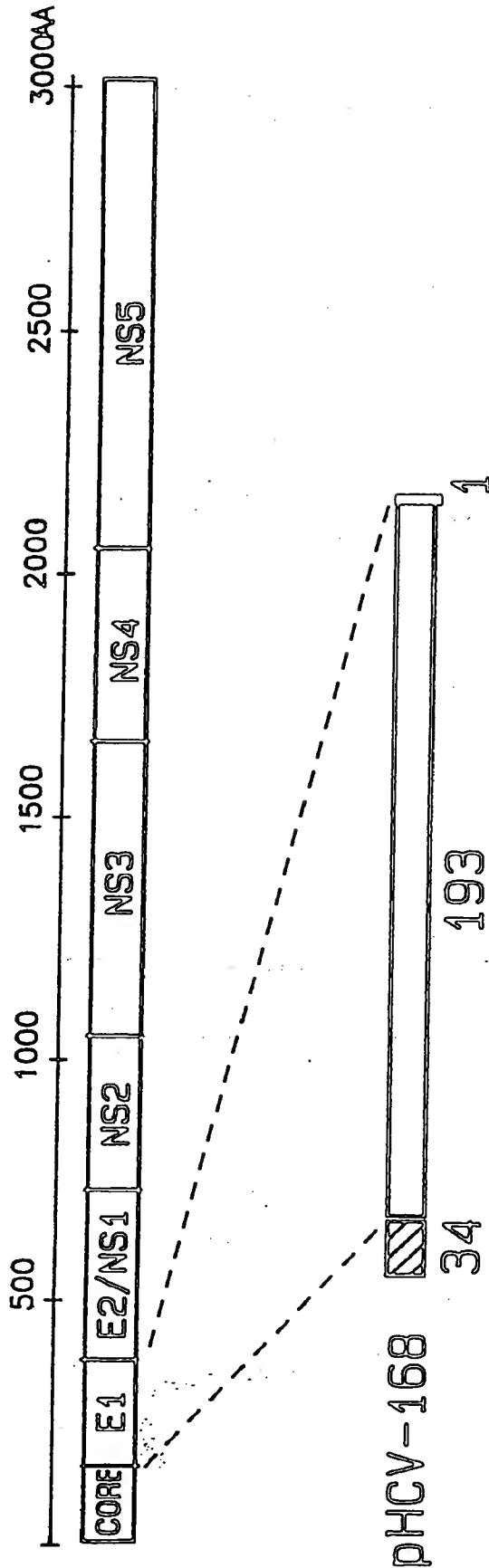
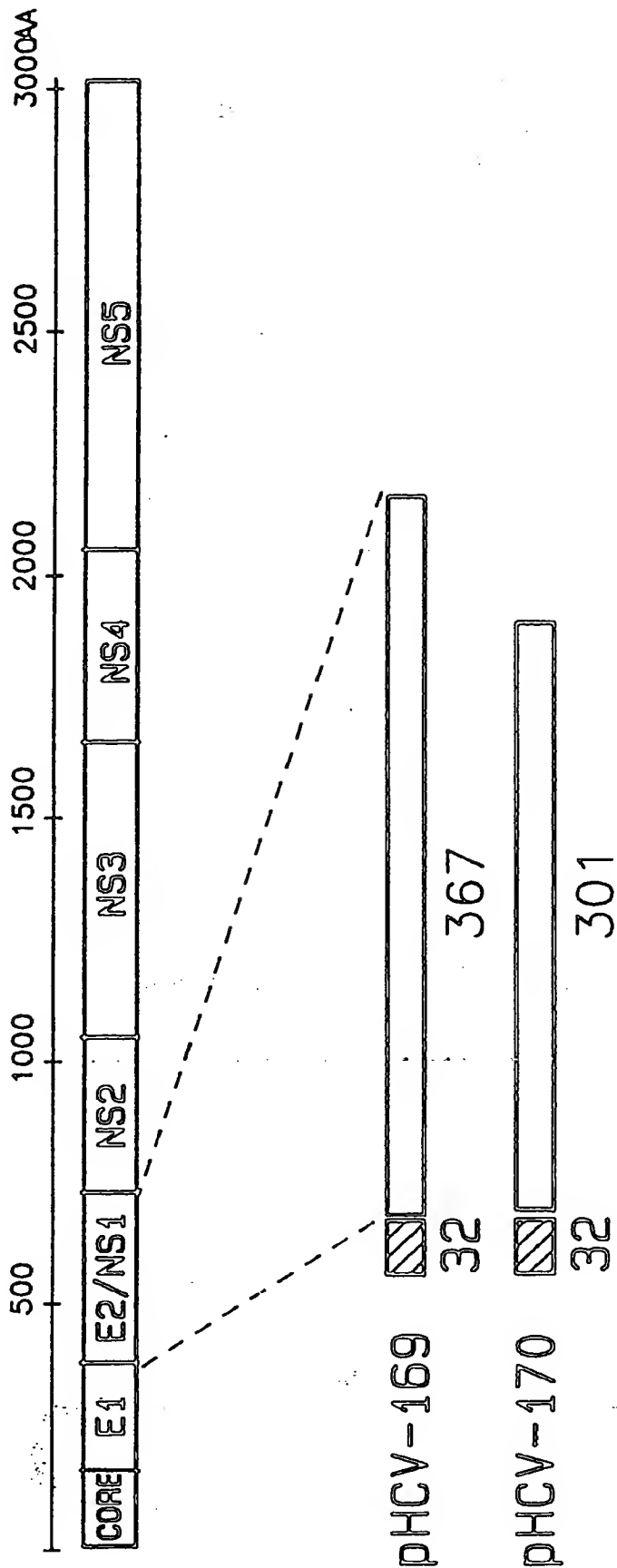


FIG.12

HCV AA# 192-384
 HGH SECRETION SIGNAL
 CMV PROMOTER
 HEK CELLS

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HCV AA# 384-750 or
HCV AA# 384-684
HGH SECRETION SIGNAL
CMV PROMOTER
HEK CELLS

FIG.13

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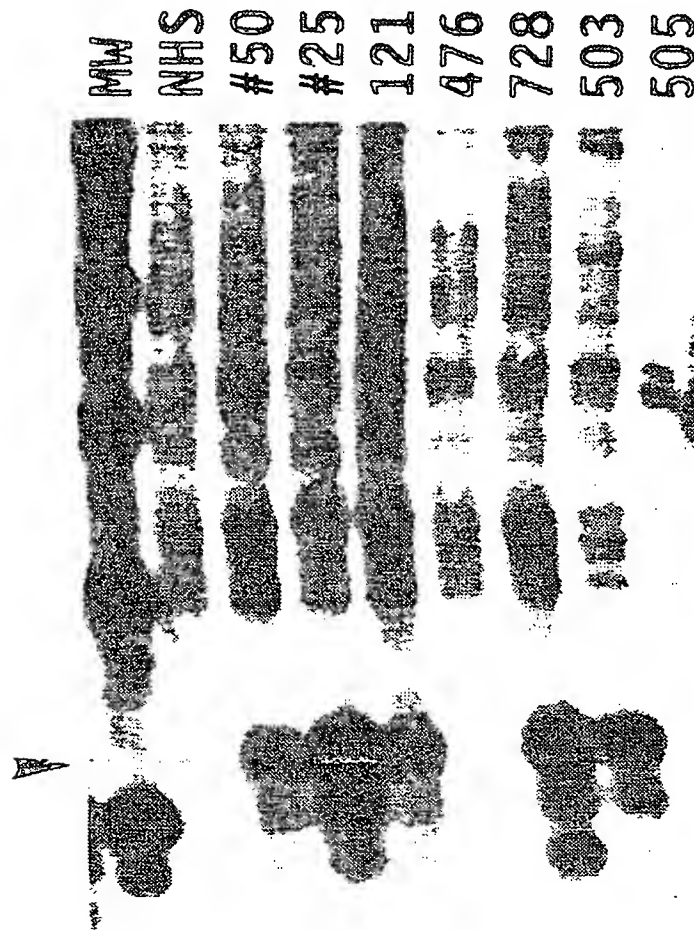


FIG. 14

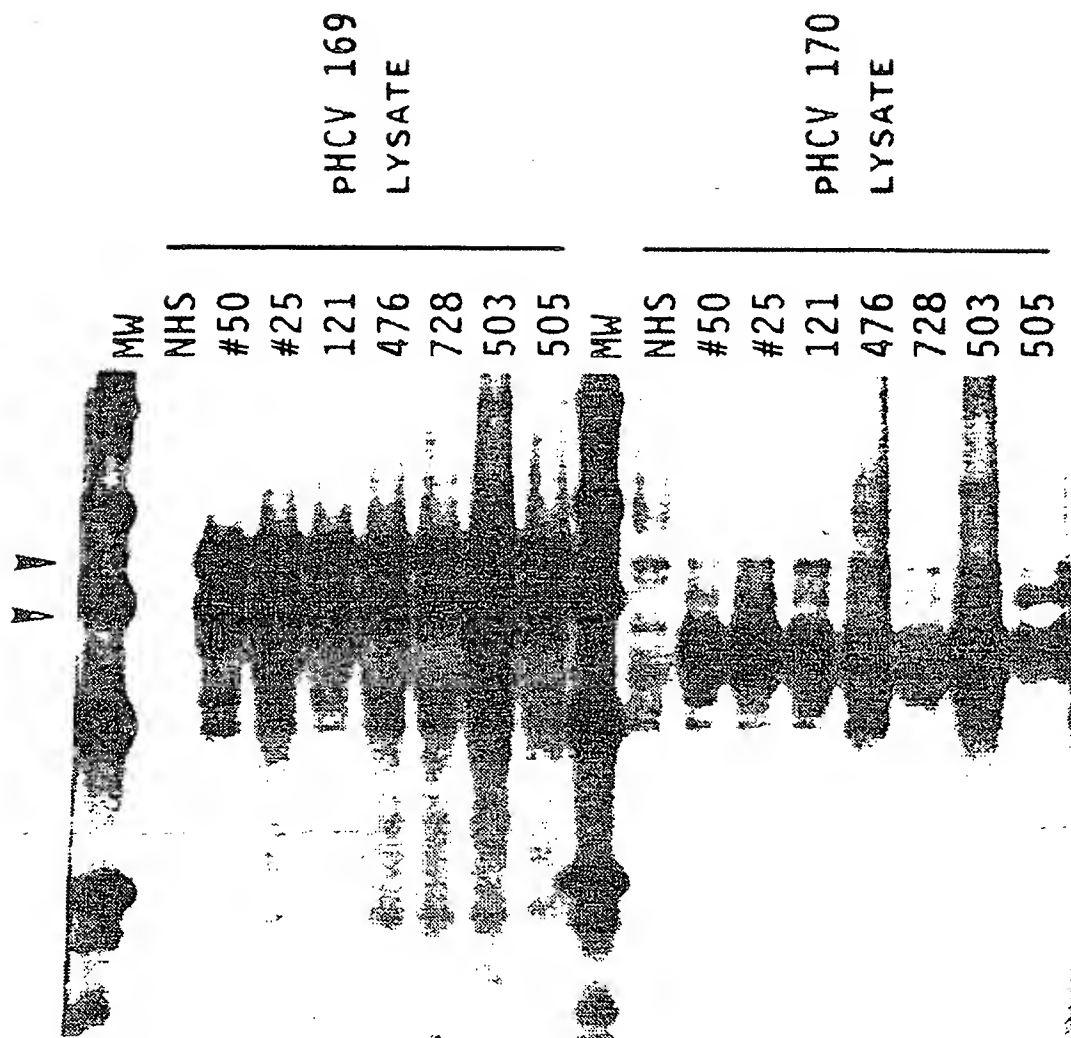


FIG. 15

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

IPC(S) : C12N 15/00; C12Q 1/70; C07K 15/00

US CL : 435/320.1, 5; 530/409

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

U.S. : 435/320.1, 69.3, 5, 7.1; 530/350, 409

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

PIR, SWISS-PROT, GENESEQ, GENBANK, WPI, CA, MEDLINE, APS

search terms: hepatitis C virus, HCV, fusion, amyloid precursor protein, human growth hormone, diagnosis?, kit

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
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Y	Journal of General Virology, Volume 72, issued October 1991, D. Kremsdorf et al., "Partial Nucleotide Sequence Analysis of a French Hepatitis C Virus: Implications for HCV Variability in the E2/NS1 Protein", pp. 2557-2561, see entire document.	1-18

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